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SUBJECT: NWC & ICAF VISITS

REF: STATE 72271, ABIDJAN 2591

1. IVORY COAST GRACIOUSLY WELCOMED NWC MAY 73, ICAF MAY 74 AND US NAVY SHIP VISITS MARCH AND OCTOBER 74. I BELIEVE EITHER NWC OR ICAF WOULD BE WELCOMED IN 1975, BUT I FEEL UNCOMFORTABLE ABOUT ASKING GOIC TO RECEIVE BOTH WITHIN TWO WEEKS OF EACH OTHER. POSSIBLE LOSS OF GOODWILL BY OVEREXPOSURE OF US MILITARY IS NOT CONSIDERED IN OUR BEST INTERESTS. RECEPTIONS FOR GROUPS SUCH AS THESE ARE CONSIDERABLE EFFORT FOR AND ARE OF SOME EXPENSE FOR IVORY COAST. FACT THAT THIS AN ELECTION YEAR FOR IVORY COAST AND MOST FIRST AND SECOND ECHELON OFFICIALS ARE ALREADY PREOCCUPIED IS ALSO IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION.

2. MINISTER OF DEFENSE HAS INFORMALLY AGREED TO NWC VISIT. I STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT ONLY THIS COLLEGE BE SCHEDULED FOR ABIDJAN THIS SPRING. REQUEST FIRM FINAL DECISION BEFORE ASKING GOIC FORMAL CONCURRENCE ON NWC. DECISION ASAP REQUIRED IN VIEW OF SHORT LEAD TIME REMAINING. SMITH

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